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Box No. IV Text of the abstract (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

Methods and apparatus for programming a medical infusion pump are disclosed. One method includes displaying a meter having two or more positions, each of the two or more positions representing a corresponding parameter value programmable into the medical infusion pump. The method further includes displaying an indicator having a selectable positional relationship to the meter, the selected position corresponding to a parameter value.

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CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER INV. G06F19/00 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC **B. FIELDS SEARCHED** Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) G06F Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used) EPO-Internal, WPI Data C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT Category* Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages Relevant to claim No. X WO 2006/023636 A (MEDTRONIC INC [US]) 25 2 March 2006 (2006-03-02) abstract, Figures 56, 61, 83, 85, 92, 97-100 and paragraphs 11, 178, 190-192 and X GB 2 312 055 A (BAXTER INT [US]) 25 15 October 1997 (1997-10-15) abstract, summary, Figures 4, 5 and 28, and page 13 lines 5-10 and page 26 1.24 p.27 1.6 X US 2003/163088 A1 (BLOMQUIST MICHAEL L 25 [US]) 28 August 2003 (2003-08-28) abstract, summary, Figure 9 and paragraph 71, and Figure 13 and paragraphs 125-129 X Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family annex. Special categories of cited documents: *T* later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the *A* document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance invention earlier document but published on or after the international *X* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to *L* document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified) involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an Inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such docu-*O* document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means ments, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art. document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed *&* document member of the same patent family Date of the actual completion of the international search Date of mailing of the international search report 7 February 2008 19/02/2008 Name and mailing address of the ISA/ Authorized officer European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl, Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016 Huber, Alexander

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Claims Nos.: 1-24,26-37

The application does not meet the requirements of Article 6 PCT, because claims 1-24 and 26-37 are not clear. These claims, in particular the independent claims 1, 16, 26 and 32 are drafted in such unclear and vague manner and use unclear terms without a well recognized technical meaning, that it was not possible to unambiguously and clearly determine the extent of the subject-matter intended to be claimed in terms of technical features. In particular, the wordings "displaying a meter having two or more locations, each of the two or more locations representing a corresponding parameter value" and "an indicator having a selectable positional relationship to the meter" are not clear. Therefore, a meaningful search of their claimed subject-matter could not be carried out.

Independent claim 25 uses the unclear wording "a slider bar having a plurality of locations, each of the plurality of locations representing a corresponding parameter value". The technical features defined by this wording could not be determined.

However, it seems that the subject-matter intended to be claimed is the subject-matter of independent claim 25 without the unclear wording explained above. Hence, the search was carried out based on claim 25 without the unclear wording "a slider bar having a plurality of locations, each of the plurality of locations representing a corresponding parameter value".

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure. If the application proceeds into the regional phase before the EPO, the applicant is reminded that a search may be carried out during examination before the EPO (see EPO Guideline C-VI, 8.2), should the problems which led to the Article 17(2)PCT declaration be overcome.

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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)
This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:
Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. X Claims Nos.: 1-24, 26-37 because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
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3. Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).
Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)
This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fees, this Authority did not invite payment of additional fees.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search reportcovers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:
Remark on Protest The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest and, where applicable, the payment of a protest fee.
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